

# REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD MONDAY, JUNE 22, 1998

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL was answered by Rodney M. Roberts, Alan Turnbull, Thomas X. White and by Judith F. Davis, Mayor. Mr. Putens was absent.

ALSO PRESENT were Michael P. McLaughlin, City Manager; Robert Manzi, City Solicitor; W. Bowman Ferguson, Management Analyst and David E. Moran, City Clerk.

Mayor Davis observed a moment of silence for Mary Ransom, Marie Houck, Marvin Nussbaum, Stanley Hooper, Florence Buonocore, Samuel Maryn and John O'Reilly. Then, she led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

CONSENT AGENDA: Mr. White removed the minutes of June 15. With that change, Mr. Turnbull moved approval of the consent agenda. Mr. Roberts seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

#### COUNCIL THEREBY TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

#### MINUTES:

Work Session, June 3, 1998 Work Session June 8, 1998 Regular Meeting, June 8, 1998 Work Session, June 10, 1998

Approved as presented.

RESIGNATIONS FROM SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Council accepted resignations from Lu Price and Harold Miller with regret and directed staff to prepare letters of appreciation for the Mayor's signature.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mr. White requested that Council add a resolution designating an Acting City Treasurer during Mr. Williams absence. With that change, Mr. Turnbull moved that the agenda be approved. Mr. White seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

#### PRESENTATIONS:

PROCLAMATION FROM GOVERNOR "PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH": Mayor Davis read a proclamation from Parris Glendenning, Governor of Maryland, declaring July as Parks and Recreation Month in the State of Maryland.

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS: There were no petitions or requests.

MINUTES: Mr. White requested that the minutes of June 15 reflect a request by Mr. Turnbull that the city receive an analysis of how the MSPAP test negatively affects counties with lower socio-economic conditions. Mr. White moved approval with that change. Mr. Turnbull seconded. The motion carried 4 to 0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Mr. McLaughlin presented a memorandum from Ms. Leventhal in which she indicates that there is not a specific increase being sought by the Maryland Youth Service Bureaus. He also asked Council to review a list of 4-cities agenda items. Mr. White referenced an item in the Washington Post on transportation that was very enlightening.

Ms. Davis stated that on June 13 the Greenbelt Post Office had raised the POW/MIA flag. She also noted that Windsor Green had held their Annual Meeting and expressed a concern about inactivity at the substation. Ms. Davis also noted the Federal Legislative Dinner held on Friday, June 19.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 17, "SOLID WASTE", ARTICLE II, ALITTER", SECTION 17-23, AHANDBILLS" OF THE GREENBELT CITY CODE FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE PENALTIES FOR SUBSEQUENT VIOLATIONS

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Roberts introduced the above titled ordinance for second reading and final passage. Mr. White seconded.

#### ROLL CALL

Mr. Roberts

yes

Mr. Turnbull

yes

Mr. White

yes

Mayor Davis

yes

The Ordinance was declared passed. (Ordinance No. 1167, Book No. 11)

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE NEGOTIATED PURCHASE OF CERTAIN GOODS AND SERVICES FROM VARIOUS VENDORS AS ENUMERATED HEREIN WHEN TOTAL FISCAL YEAR PURCHASES FROM EACH VENDOR EXCEED TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000)

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Turnbull introduced the above titled resolution for second reading and final passage. Mr. Roberts seconded.

## **ROLL CALL** Mr. Roberts yes Mr. Turnbull yes Mr. White yes Mayor Davis yes The Resolution was declared passed. (Resolution No. 869, Book No. 7) AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE REPLACEMENT FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30. 1998 IN THE AMOUNT OF NINETY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$90,000) FOR ADDITIONAL REPLACEMENT FUND EXPENDITURES OVER THE APPROPRIATED AMOUNT Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. White introduced the above titled ordinance for first reading and suspension of the rules. Mr. Roberts seconded. **ROLL CALL** Mr. Roberts yes Mr. Turnbull yes Mr. White

Mayor Davis yes

yes

Mr. White introduced the above titled ordinance for second reading and final passage. Mr. Roberts seconded. **ROLL CALL** Mr. Roberts yes Mr. Turnbull yes Mr. White yes Mayor Davis yes The Ordinance was declared passed. (Ordinance No. 1168, Book No. 11) AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE THE AMOUNT OF FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$40,000) FOR ADDITIONAL

TEMPORARY DISABILITY FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1998 IN

DISABILITY PAYMENTS OVER THE APPROPRIATED AMOUNT

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Roberts introduced the above titled ordinance for first reading and suspension of the rules. Mr. White seconded.

#### ROLL CALL

Mr. Roberts

yes

Mr. Turnbull

yes

Mr. White

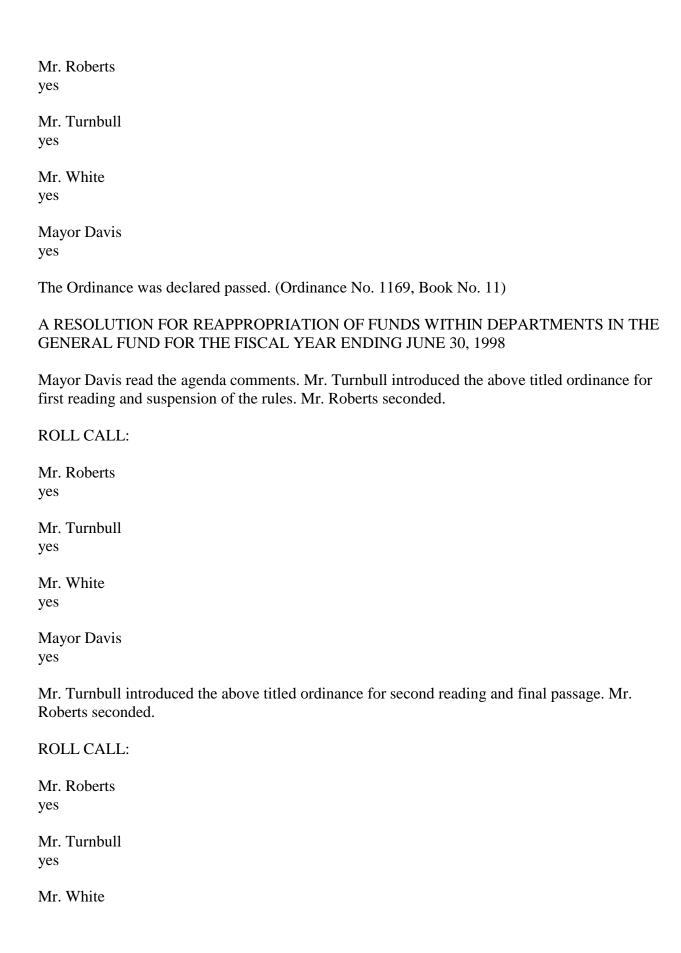
yes

**Mayor Davis** 

yes

Mr. Roberts introduced the above titled ordinance for second reading and final passage. Mr. White seconded.

#### **ROLL CALL**



yes
Mayor Davis yes
The Resolution was declared passed. (Resolution No. 870, Book No. 7)
A RESOLUTION FOR REAPPROPRIATION OF FUNDS WITHIN DEPARTMENTS IN THE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1998
Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. White introduced the above titled ordinance for first reading and suspension of the rules. Mr. Turnbull seconded.
ROLL CALL:
Mr. Roberts yes
Mr. Turnbull yes
Mr. White yes
Mayor Davis yes
Mr. White introduced the above titled ordinance for second reading and final passage. Mr. Turnbull seconded.
ROLL CALL:
Mr. Roberts yes
Mr. Turnbull yes
Mr. White yes
Mayor Davis yes
The Resolution was declared passed. (Resolution No. 871, Book No. 7)

A RESOLUTION FOR REAPPROPRIATION OF FUNDS WITHIN DEPARTMENTS IN THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1998

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Roberts introduced the above titled ordinance for first reading and suspension of the rules. Mr. White seconded.

**ROLL CALL:** 

Mr. Roberts yes	
Mr. Turnbull yes	
Mr. White yes	
Mayor Davis yes	
Mr. Roberts introduced the above titled ordinance for second reading and final passage. Mr. White seconded.	
ROLL CALL:	
Mr. Roberts yes	
Mr. Turnbull yes	
Mr. White yes	
Mayor Davis yes	
The Resolution was declared passed. (Resolution No. 872, Book No. 7)	

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Turnbull introduced the above titled ordinance for first reading and suspension of the rules. Mr. White seconded.

A RESOLUTION FOR REAPPROPRIATION OF FUNDS WITHIN DEPARTMENTS IN THE

REPLACEMENT FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1998

ROLL CALL:
Mr. Roberts yes
Mr. Turnbull yes
Mr. White yes
Mayor Davis yes
Mr. Turnbull introduced the above titled ordinance for second reading and final passage. Mr. White seconded.
ROLL CALL:
Mr. Roberts yes
Mr. Turnbull yes
Mr. White yes
Mayor Davis yes
The Resolution was declared passed. (Resolution No. 873, Book No. 7)
AN ORDINANCE TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 20 TO THE GREENBELT CITY CODE ENTITLED "ZONING" TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY OF GREENBELT MAY GRANT DEPARTURES FROM DESIGN AND LANDSCAPING STANDARDS, PARKING AND

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. White introduced the above titled ordinance.

ZONING ORDINANCE

LOADING STANDARDS, SIGN DESIGN STANDARDS AND VARIANCES FROM LOT SIZE, SETBACK AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS OF THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

A RESOLUTION FOR THE NEGOTIATED PURCHASE OF TELEPHONE EQUIPMENT FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S COMMUNICATIONS/DISPATCH OFFICE

Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. White introduced the above titled ordinance for first reading and suspension of the rules. Mr. Roberts seconded.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Mr. Roberts

yes

Mr. Turnbull

yes

Mr. White

yes

Mayor Davis

yes

Mr. White introduced the above titled ordinance for second reading and final passage. Mr. Roberts seconded. Lt. O'Neil stressed that the most serious problem was calls being disconnected. Mr. Roberts asked if there was Caller ID. Lt. O'Neil responded that there would be Caller ID. He also indicated that this was a scheduled repair.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Mr. Roberts

yes

Mr. Turnbull

yes

Mr. White

yes

**Mayor Davis** 

yes

The Resolution was declared passed. (Resolution No. 874, Book No. 7)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND ENLARGING THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 23A, SECTION 19, OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND (1957 EDITION AND AMENDMENTS), BY ANNEXING CERTAIN LANDS AND PROPERTY CONTIGUOUS TO AND ADJOINING THE EXISTING SOUTHERN CORPORATE BOUNDARY OF THE CITY, BEING THE LANDS OF PARKSIDE HOMEOWNERS AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND, AND DEDICATED RIGHTS-OF-WAY OF CREST PARK DRIVE, MAGNOLIA HILL LANE AND

CAMILLO COURT, IN BERWYN DISTRICT 21, PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND, AN AREA OF 7.70 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE METES AND BOUNDS DESCRIPTION PREPARED BY LIGHT, ELLIOTT & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Mr. Roberts introduced the above titled ordinance. Mr. Love stated that there were philosophical and financial reasons that the city should not annex this property.

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE JUDITH KERNS NICHOLS TO SIGN CHECKS.

VOUCHERS, PURCHASE ORDERS, AND OTHERWISE ACT AS CITY TREASURER FROM JUNE 29 TO JULY 2, 1998
Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. Roberts introduced the above titled ordinance f first reading and suspension of the rules. Mr. White seconded.
ROLL CALL:
Mr. Roberts yes
Mr. Turnbull yes
Mr. White yes
Mayor Davis yes
Mr. Roberts introduced the above titled ordinance for second reading and final passage. Mr. White seconded.
ROLL CALL:
Mr. Roberts yes
Mr. Turnbull yes
Mr. White yes

**Mayor Davis** 

yes

The Resolution was declared passed. (Resolution No. 874, Book No. 7)

### TRAFFIC CALMING PROPOSALS FOR BREEZEWOOD DRIVE & HANOVER

PARKWAY: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Ms. Craze noted that she had met with Kristine Beckett, the Property Manager for Springhill Lake and Springhill Lake was now supportive of the proposal. Ms. Craze first presented the proposal for Breezewood Drive pointing to calming devices (chokers and islands) on a conceptual drawing. She noted that lighting would also be upgraded.

Mr. Roberts asked about a U-turn movement. Ms. Craze indicated that they were evaluating extending an island. Mr. Turnbull asked about lighting. Ms. Craze responded that the new lights would be brighter than others at Springhill Lake but consistent with other similar roads in the city such as Hanover Parkway.

Mr. Love asked if the lights were being shielded. Ms. Craze responded yes. Mr. Roberts asked about landscaping. Ms. Craze indicated that Mr. Phelan was working on a plan.

Mr. Roberts moved that Council authorize staff to implement the Breezewood Drive traffic calming plan. Mr. Turnbull seconded. The motion carried 4 to 0.

Next, Ms Craze presented the plans for a roundabout on Hanover Parkway. Mr. White asked how the roundabout would affect the proximity of the buildings at Greenbelt Lake Village. Ms. Craze responded that the roundabout would be built within the existing footprint of the road. This may provide an opportunity for improved landscaping to screen the buildings. Mr. Roberts asked about pedestrian access. Ms Craze indicated that access would improve because pedestrians would only have to cross one lane at a time.

Mr. Turnbull commended the process. He asked about the design of the curb. Ms. Craze believed a rolled curb would be used so that emergency vehicles could drive over the roundabout. Mr. Turnbull asked about the learning curve for using a roundabout. Ms. Craze believed that most people had already come in contact with these devices. Mr. Turnbull suggested that staff pursue a bike-friendly design. Mr. Roberts asked if there had been input from the fire department and suggested that staff contact these agencies.

Ms. Davis suggested that a police officer be present when the roundabout is first used. Mr. Turnbull suggested "burma-shave" type signs announcing the new device. Sheldon Goldberg of 7848 Jacobs Drive, indicated that GEAC's concern was how the device would function during heavy traffic, such as a large function at Schrom Hills Park.

Mr. White indicated that the basic principle was a car in the circle has the right-of-way. He believed emphatic signage was needed on Hanover Parkway. Mr. Love suggested a break-in period where the device is painted.

Mr. Turnbull moved that Council authorize staff to implement the Hanover Parkway traffic calming plan. Mr. White seconded. The motion passed 4 to 0.

PRESENTATION ON ATTICK PARK MASTER PLAN: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Ms. Craze stated the basic objectives of the plan.

Mr. White asked about the sediment holding area and reported complaints about odor. Ms. Craze stated that the upcoming water quality improvement project would include dredging and a redesign of the area. Ms. Davis asked about the maintenance schedule. Mr. McLaughlin believed that Public Works was performing the maintenance schedule.

Mr. Roberts favored removing the concession stand and asked if this were possible. Mr. Manzi responded that he believed Council should not take action until the suit was resolved. Mr. Roberts asked that this question be raised with LGIT. Mr. Roberts also favored construction of restrooms and improving handicapped accessability.

Mr. Turnbull believed that Council needed to develop its own plans and there was adequate time to discuss removal of the existing concession stand. Mr. White agreed with Mr. Turnbull and asked about the specific reference to location of facilities. Ms. Craze indicated that the map was part of the plan. Mr. White summarized some of the history of the plan. He indicated that any improvements needed to be consistent with the goals of the plan.

Ms. Davis asked if the city could get rid of the boats. Mr. Manzi again expressed reluctance because of the suit, but indicated he would write a letter to LGIT and report back to Council. .

ADDITIONAL LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT SERVICES - ROOSEVELT CENTER MALL: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Mr. White requested that there be an accounting of Ms. Bradley-Papp's volunteer hours.

Mr. White moved that Council approve the addendum to contract for Bradley-Papp Landscape Architecture, Inc. for a total increase in fee not to exceed \$3,040. Mr. Roberts seconded. Mr. Turnbull recused himself. The motion carried 3 to 0.

COG DUES: Mayor Davis read the agenda comments. Council discussed the pros and cons of paying the dues. Mr. Roberts moved that Council pay the remainder of the FY 1998 as well as the full 1999 dues. Mr. Turnbull seconded. The motion passed 4 to 0.

MEETINGS: Council scheduled a public hearing with the Corps on July 9. Council scheduled an Executive Session on Personnel Matters and Property Covenants for July 8. Council scheduled a work session with the post office on July 15. Council also scheduled a work session on Beaver Management for July 27 and a work session on Council Goals for July 29. Council scheduled Capital Projects on August 3 and a work session with Mr. Christacos or National Park Service on August 5.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Turnbull moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. White seconded. The motion carried 5 to 0. Mayor Davis adjourned the regular meeting of June 22, 1998, at 10:35 p.m

Respectfully Submitted,

David E. Moran City Clerk

"I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct report of the regular meeting of the City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland, held June 22, 1998."

Judith F. Davis

Mayor